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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation: In the Matter of Biennial Review 2002 Comments, WC <u>Dkt. No. 02-313</u>

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The National Exchange Carrier Association ("NECA"), by its attorneys, and pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(1) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §1.1206(b)(1), hereby submits this notice of an *ex parte* presentation in the above-captioned proceeding.

On Wednesday, April 23, 2003, I communicated with Carol Mattey, Deputy Bureau Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau, concerning NECA's preference that contested elections be held every six years for outside directors on NECA's Board of Directors, in lieu of the imposition of term limits on outside board member service.

If you have any questions regarding this communication, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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